ENGLAND AND TURKEY.

GREAT DEMONSTRATION AT LONDON. THE MOST POWERFUL AND IMPORTANT SECTIONS OF ENGLISH SCCIETY REPRESENTED AT THE CON-FERENCE-THE CHURCH AND THE UNIVERSITIES ASSOCIATED WITH THE MOVEMENT-ONE THOU-SAND DELEGATES PRESENT-MR. GLADSTONE'S SPEECH-THE PRO-TURKISH PRESS ALARMED.

PROM THE REGULAR CORRESPONDENT OF THE TRIBUNE. LONDON, Dec. 9 .- Great efforts have been made by the Turkish party to throw ridicule on the conference which met yesterday in London to discuss the Eastern question. They are not wholly abandoned, but they are themselves ridiculous. There was perhaps some excuse for them when the first partial list of names was published-composed mainly of what our friend Mr. Cameron would call "dam literary fellers." I fear I was myself guilty of speaking lightly about that first list, so madequately did it represent even the literary class. But there is no such excuse now. You may say what you like of yesterday's conference, but you cannot say that its members do not fairly represent most powerful and important sections of English society; that they may not fairly claim to speak with some authority in the name of England itself. What are the influences most powerful in England? What goes to make up England as a nation? Putting royalty and purely political powers aside, there are the nobility, the Church, the Land, the Universities, the Bar, Society, the Dissenting Bodies, Trade, Manufactures, Agriculture, Literature, Science, Art, perhaps the Press, and some other things. Every one of these has associated itself with this movement. A meeting over which the Duke of Westminster and the Earl of Shaftesbury successively preside, to which the Duke of Argyll addresses a letter of hearty sympathy, which receives the support of the Tory Marquis of Bath and the Whig Marquis of Ailesbury, and which is addressed by representatives of the great families of which the Duke of Sutherland and the Duke of Bedford are the heads, must be admitted to speak for not the least considerable half of the English nobility, English society, and the landowning classes. For the Church, usually most reluctant to make itself felt in any secular controversy which does not touch ecclesiastical privileges, the Bishop of Oxford and the Rev. Canon Liddon spoke. From the same platform was heard the Rev. Dr. Allon, one of the half-dozen most emment Dissenters in England. The Universities might claim almost every speaker; but not to go beyond those strictly connected with them, there were Mr. Bryce, Professor of Civil Law at Oxford, and Mr. Fawcett, Professor of Political Economy at Cambridge, An emineut barrister, Mr. Sergeant Simon, expressed what are believed to be the views of an unusually large proportion of the profession of the Law, commonly most conservative and most opposed to popular interference. For Trade, Manufactures, and Commerce, such men as Sir Thomas Bazley, Mr. Mundella, Mr. Samuel Morley, Mr. Lehmann, and many men of great local importance were there to answer. And I have in former letters enumerated the men famous in Literature, Science, and Art who gave their adhesion to this great Protest. I may, nevertheless, again mention such names as those of the historians, Mr. Froude, Mr. Lecky, and Mr. Freeman; of the poets, Mr. Browning and William Morris; of Mr. Herbert Spencer, Mr. Thomas Hughes, Mr. Rossetti, Mr. Ruskin, Mr. Trollope, and, greatest of all, Mr. Carlyle. By the side of these stand the delegate of the agricultural laborers of England, Mr. Joseph Arch, whose remarkable declaration against war you will not have forgotten, and two men who may perhaps be said to be the official spokesmen of the artisans of England, Mr. George Howell and Mr. Broadhurst, the late and present secretaries to the Trades Parliamentary Committee. Among all these, scarcely more than one or two are men ordinarily heard of in political life. It is nothing short of a great crisis which calls them forth. The Duke of Westminster, who may be supposed to know, spoke of the assembly as composed of the most influential and distinguished personages in the country. Lord Shaftesbury, a judge, if anybody is, of public meetings, described this as "consisting of every form and shade of opinion, representing every rank and condition and calling in the country, differing among themselves in many ways, yet all of one heart in the grand purpose for which we are assembled." I have not included the 70 or 80 members of the House of Commons, who were among the conveners, nor the great journals of key. England, the ablest and most independent of which, with two or three conspicuous exceptions, advocated the calling of this conference and support its objects, and I have still to add one name of greater weight with all classes of the English EVENING SESSIONS YESTERDAY-GEN. BROOKE, people than any other that can be mentioned-Mr. Gladstone. No longer the leader of the Liberal party, he has led on this question since last August what it is not rash to call the great majority of the people of England in their resolute opposition to the Turkish policy of the Government of England. It was lately the fashion to assert that the policy which moved the whole country last August has died out. I expressed my belief lately that it had not died out, a belief which now has the sanction of the Duke of Westminster, and-more remarkable still-The Times, which declares this morning that: "To all but the willfully blind, it must now be clear that the agitation of August and September last was no transient flash of emotion, but that it expressed a profound and fixed determination." Lord Shaftesbury, with equal decision, spoke of the very object of the conference as being to affirm before England and the world that indignation has not abated, and that it will not abate until justice be done and precautions taken, so far as human policy can go, to prevent a recurrence of these scandals to humanity. It is not often that one cares to seek for the evidence of what the English people are thinking in the London daily journals-at least not till some days have passed, but it is difficult not to perceive a significance this morning in the manifest hedging of one of the Mohammedan organs, and the manifest fury of the other. The conference has half convinced

The conference met in St. James's Hall, held two sessions, heard speeches, passed resolutions, and adjourned. About a thousand delegates from all parts of Great Britain were present; they and the rest of the audience which crowded the hall being admitted by tickets. Certain topics were assigned for discussion to certain speakers, and most of the speeches were limited to 10 or 15 minutes. All the machinery of a public meeting called for a specific purpose was provided, and worked well. But the meeting itself was the essential thing, far more essential and significant than the formal resolutions passed, or even than what was uttered. Nothing that they could say meant so much as the presence on the same platform of men whose opinions on most subjects differ so widely as those of the most eminent members of this conference. Some practical result may be expected, no doubt, from the association which it was voted to form "for the purpose of watching events, of giving further expression to public opinion, and of spreading correct information upon the subject throughout the country;" and a good deal of work will be done by the committee over which the Duke of Westminster and the Earl of Shaftesbury are to be chairmen. But the work has already to a great extent been done. Whoever else may underrate the meaning of such a demonstration, the Government will not. They may not yield to it, but they must take it into account; and it is probable that they will so far yield to it as to modify their policy; indeed, they had already modified it. If Mr. Giadstone's speech stood alone, its effect on the mind of Lord Beaconsfield could not but be considerable; not as influencing his convictions, if convictions he have, directly, but from the persuasion it must bring to others of the vacillation and evil purpose traceable throughout the course followed by the Government since the rejection of the Berlin memorandum; not to speak of the gross insincerities probable in Lord Beaconsfield's different accounts of what has taken place. The speech was one of Mr. Gladstone's ablest; moderate throughout, so far as mere words went, but penetrated with hearty abhorrence of that subservience to Turkish designs which has | they

both of them that their game is up.

marked the conduct of the present English Govern-

Mr. Gladstone evidently felt that the agitation of last Summer and the summoning of this Conference would be deemed by many public men a departure from the rules of public life-from, as he phrased it, the well-established and happy precedent of leaving the discussion of such questions to those who can consider them continuously, with full information, and with the right to represent England in the face of the world. He does not shrink from his own share of the responsibility for this departure, which he rightly regards as larger than that of any other man. Nor is there any ambiguity in the statement of the reason which justifies him. He has appealed from the Government to the people because the power and reputation and influence of England have for a long period of time within these last 12 months, and with regard to this enormous question, been employed for a purpose and to an effect directly at variance with the convictions of the country. Separating, however, Lord Salisbury from his colleagues, Mr. Gladstone avows his wish to strengthen the hands of that embassador, in whose honesty he has a confidence which he quite withholds from Lord Beaconsfield. He wants to cut Lord Salisbury adrift from the Guildhall speech. Mr. Gladstone is openly for that interference with the Porte which Prime Minister deprecates. He charges the Porte with having itself broken the Treaty of Paris, and pronounces that Government therefore incapable of appealing to it-an incontrovertible principle of international law. He is not for the transfer of the oppressed Provinces from one yoke to another, but for the development of their liberties under a government by themselves. Not because he is suspicious of Russia; he accepts the assurances of the Emperor as in accordance with his acts hitherto. In this nearly all the speakers agreed. None of them cares to base the foreign policy of England on fear or distrust. They would work with Russia in behalf of the suffering subjects of the Turk, and Mr. Gladstone only spoke, as I believe, for the nation as a whole when he spoke of its duty to assist in the work of regenerating those Provinces as a positive obligation. As a whole, the Conference must be said to have

done at least as much as its most sanguine conveners heped. It has been thoroughly in earnest; the speeches most able; the same spirit of determination manifested by everybody. Its proceedings will be read everywhere; its influence upon the nation, and through the nation upon the Government, and through the Government upon Eastern Europe, is certain to be beneficial. It does not speak, of course, for all England. There will still be a Turkish party, but that party has no longer a chance of leading England blindfold into war with Russia in behalf of the Turk.

POSTSCRIPT.

3:30 a. m.

LATEST FOREIGN NEWS.

THE TURKISH COMPLICATIONS. NO IMMEDIATE RUPTURE EXPECTED. LONDON, Friday, Dec. 29, 1876.

The Berlin correspondent of The Times says no imme diate rupture is to be apprehended. The Itmes Vienna and Paris correspondents take the

same views of the situation. The Paris correspondent says everything tends to confirm the report that Turkey simply demands discussion on the various p ints of the programme. Everybody is persuaded that while pressing the Porte to accept the programme, all the members of the conference will allow its right to discuss and offer objections, on the condition of accepting beforehand the ultimate resolutions of the majority of the Powers. The Times Vienna correspondent thinks acceptance even of the gendarmerie scheme is not quite improbable. The Berlin dispatch of The Times reports that all trade is suffering in Russia on account of the recent increase of

import duties; bankruptey follows bankruptey. The Post's Berlin dispatch says a regular crisis seems to be approaching in Russia. Reports come in almost daily of the faiture of well established firms.

THE GRAND DUKE NICHOLAS STILL IN DANGER. The Russian Telegraphic Agency announces that the ondition of the Grand Duke Nicholas is unchanged.

Servia has decreed the mobilization of her army.

A dispatch from Vicuna to The Daily News states that the principic result of the great Cabinet meeting there on Thursday was the decision that special armaments should not be undertaken by Austria or Hungary even in the event of a localized war between Russia and Tur

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LOUISIANA INVESTIGATION.

U. S. A., TESTIFIES TO INTIMIDATION OF REPUI

LICANS.

NEW-ORLEANS, Dec. 28 .- At the evening ession of Mr. Morrison's Committee, Albert Voorhees, a number of the Legislature and Chairman of the Demoeratic State Central Corresponding Committee, testified that every effort had been taken by the committee and

himself to secure a peageful election. The Sub-Committee of the House, of which Mr. Blackburn is chairman, examined six witnesses to-day in reference to Piaquemines Parish. They all testified to irregularities on the part of officers of election at Poll No. 8, and to fraud in registration, as well as intimida-

tion of colored Democrats by colored Republicans.

At the evening session of Senator Wadleigh's sub-committee. Gen. Brooke, 13th United States Infantry, commanding in eight parishes of Louisiana, stated that in East Baton Rouge and East Feliciana last Spring there seemed to be a combination among the Democrats to terrorize the colored people. He gave several instances of negroes having been wounded and beaten and gave a fearful statement of the condition of affairs there and the threats used to induce colored men to join the Democrats and vote their tiekt. His testimony was substantially the same as contained in his allidavit before the Returning Board and published in Mr. Sherman's report. commanding in eight parishes of Louisiana, stated

GOV. KELLOGG'S BARRICADES. DEMOCRATIC STATE SENATORS ASK TO HAVE THEM

REMOVED-GOV. KELLOGG REFUSES. NEW-ORLEANS, Dec. 28 .- The Democratic State Senators holding over and Clerk Trezevant of the House called on Gov. Kellogg to-day and protested against the barricading of the State House. They demanded the re moval of the barricades, which the Governor declined to accede to. When asked if contestants and citizens would be admitted, he replied that he would not answer, but if guards were placed at the door they would have a list of the members declared elected by the Returning Board who would be almitted. In answer to Mr. Trezevant, the Governor said as the executive he assumed the right to control all approaches to the House of Represental ves. It is postively asserted that the Democrats have not agreed upon any programme. It is entently reported that the White League have been ordered out on next Tuesday.

TAXATION OF NATIONAL BANKS.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 28.-About 20 officers of National banks in Ohio held a meeting to-day at the Grand Hotel for the purpose of considering the question of operous taxation imposed on the National banks by the State and national authorities. Mr. T. P. Hardy of Cleveland presided, and after a discussion of the subject, a committee was appointed to lay the matter before the a committee was appointed to lay the inster cannot ex-State Ligislature for the purpose of seeking relief. Another committee was selected to act in concert with the National Bankers' Association in presenting the mat-ter to Congress. A. H. Moss of Sandusky is Chairman of the State Committee, and L. B. Harrison of Cincinnati is Chairman of the National Committee.

COLLEGE FRATERNITY DINNER. The college fraternity of Delta Psi is to have a banquet at Delmonico's this evening at 9 o clock, which prominent members are expected to attend. The convention of the fraternity was held yesterday in the rooms of Alpha Chapter at No. 4 East Twenty-third-st. The session was secret.

SEARCHING FOR THE MASKED BURGLARS. The New-York detectives visited last night

everal of the places in this city where thieves are known to congr gate in the hope of getting some clew to the persons who committed the robberies at Astoria. Inspector sons who committed the robbertes at Astoria. Inspector Thorne also visited the station-houses in his district and gave information to have all suspicious persons arrested. Up to a late hour last night, however, it was not known that any of the Astoria gang had been caught.

The following conversation, illustrative of Paris life, was overheard in the Café Anglais: "What a pretty woman!" "Yes, she is charming." "And that mensieur, is it her husband?" "Oh, no," replied the friend, sipping his abanthe: "I should say certainly not, for I have seen them driving very often, and, indeed, they were at Baden together."

HOME NEWS.

THERMOMETER YESTERDAY AT HUDNUTS. IN BROADWAY. 9 a. m., 22°. Noon, 22°. 3 b. m., 27°. Midnight, 25°. Highest during the day, 27°. Lowest, 18°. Average, 23°4°. Same day, 1875, 32°4°.

The rage for buttons increases.

The Union Ferry Company has 522 stockholders.

Another evidence of economy: cigarettes are

There are large numbers of Spanish sixpenny sil-er pieces in circulation.

Ladies' muffs are made this season so as to get

three hands in at a squeeze.

There is a movement on foot among society people to establish reading clubs for ladies.

Lady apples are more abundant this year than usual, and are selling at a much lower price.

The German Emigrant Home has made arrangements to feed destitute families through the Winter.

The floating ice is very thick in Hell Gate and Flushing Bay, making it dangerous for sailing vessels.

New-York street cars and Chicago revival taber-nacles seem to be the two chosen fields for pickpockets.

This is the eleventh hour for the woman who feels that she has a call to exercise the privileges of leap-year.

The entire coffee crop of the world of last year was

Unemployed workmen stick to seats in the Cooper Union Reading-room as though held there by some of Uncle Peter's give

Good apples are sold at cider-presses at 23 cents a barrel; at corner stands in this city they bring four cents

Sport now goes hand in hand with science: in-enlous mechanical toys suggest new theories to the Newton

There is a larger number of physicians on Thirty burthest, between Sixth and Eighth aven, than in any other

The Gold Exchange has decided to make its daily the start of the lat of January through the Bank of the state of New York.

The gilded lettering on the front of many of the

Unknown thieves yesterday morning broke into

Commodore Vanderbilt yesterday received a num

All the avenues leading to Central Park were rowded yesterday with hardsome teams, and the tinkle of the leigh bells was neard in every part of the Park.

The Brooklyn Bridge Company filed an answer to be complaint in equity of Abram B. Miller, inter, osing a gen-cal denial of the several specifications that have been made.

An unknown man, dressed in dark clothes, and the dark hair and gray eyes, was found inscarble at the overy and Prince at last might, and sent to Beslevus Hos-

The grand and petit jurors who were summoned appear in the Court of tieneral Sensions on the first Monday January will not be required to attend court until Tuesday orning pexi-

" Dan'l Druce," which is now running at Booth's

Shopkeepers would fain have the public regard

this week as one continued Christmas; they've lots of nice presents on their counters, and all they years for is a rush of

The Dry Goods Clerks' Mutual Benefit Society, es-tablished by H. B. Claffin, is said to be very prosperous; any respectable man engaged in the tracte in this city may become specific.

interprise. A St. Louis paper prints the Christmas bills of are at all the Lirge hote in that city, and internates them with succulent the bills of comment.

Inspectors Nevius, Jackson, and Dodge of Special

Admirers of the sensuous in style should abandon heds Broughton and her imitators and turn to the letters of te "lady" correspondents at Washinston, who give ful-ngth pen-portraits of the female lobisyists.

The average number of bodies of infants received the Morgue and buried by the city, per day, is about 12, nosity from leaement houses. The number of bodies of adults very much smaller than for many years.

Now is the time for good intentions, but since a erman chemist discovered that the temperature of the plac-ityed with this material cannot be registered by Fahrennett, i poker players are in the habit of keeping only five aces in eir sleeve.

Many storekeepers on the Bowery have been an

Of 1,028 votes cast at the Produce Exchange cateriay, only 518 were in favor of closing the Exchange of 1 Saturday. As a majority of three fourths was necessary bearry the movement the Exchange will remain open as small on that day.

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Among the recent transactions in real estate are the sale of four loss on the south side of Sixty might sit, between Fourth and Madison-ares, which brought \$7,000 cach in cash; 10 lots on the north western corner of Fourth-ave, and Sixty sixth-st, sold for \$70,000, cash.

The Lyceum Theater was sold in foreclosure yester-ay by Leuis Mesier at the Exchange Salesroom, in the suit of Larshall O. Roberts against William Watte Sherman. The heater, 10,c, her with the rear billiding used for offices and ressing rooms, was bought in by Mr. Roberts for \$85,000.

In a conversation with a Tribune reporter vester-lay, Mr. Klernan, Clerk of the Board of Education, initialized that Commissioner Wood, President of the Board, will recon-uder his expressed determination not to be a camulate for the Presidency during 1877, owing to the solicitations of the other

It was stated yesterday at the Union Square The-ater that Miss Ciara Morris had been suffering from a slight atrack of sciades, but that she had recovered sufficiently to play Miss Mattos thas evening. Miss sara lewett was ill inst night, and on account of her sickness and that of Miss Morris "Led Astray" was played, Miss Katharine Rogers taking the leading part.

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The case of Police Sergeant Miller, whom the fourt of Appeals decided to be unlawfully removed by the Police Commissioners, was called yesterday for a new trial refore the full ideard of Commissioners. The detendant e-unit asked for an adjournment on the ground that his chieft has to been able to get his witnesses, and this case was adjourned.

millinext Tuesday at 1 p. m.

One of the gentiemen whose house was robbed in
Astoria on last saturday night called yeaterday morning upon
sergenat Kiely of the Detective Squad find furnished him with
amples of the cloth of which the soio.a goods were made. Decetives were then sent to all the pawalicokers of the city, and
of examining clothing which has been pawned it is expected
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Russell Sage, James W. Ranney, Richard P. Herrick, F. P. Purmid, Jr., and Henry M. Cummings, trustees of the Church of the Disciples, at Madisen-ave, and Forty-lift heat, of which the Rev. Dr. theyworth is pastor, have issued a notice that on Jan. 25 they will make application to the Supreme Court for the dissolution of the church and the appointment of a receiver of all the property and assets of the society.

Following the example of the Post, Discourt

Following the example of the Post-Office Department of the United States, the British Post Department of the United States, the British Post Department will send its foreign mails on the new plan of monthly tenders of service instead of by contracts with certain lines as heretofore. Thirteen mails will be sent from Southampton and Queenstown curing the month of January. The New-York rost-Office has been informed that the new service will begin Jan. 1.

A member of the firm of A. O. & J. W. Cole, ex-

A member of the firm of A. O. & J. W. Cole, ex-pressmen, reported at the Folice Central Office last evening that a trank belonging to James Gordon Bennett, and con-taining valuable imported saddles, and other articles, was stolen from one of the company's trucks on Broadway, be-tween Nineteenth and Twentieth-sis, yesterday aiternoon, while it was being conveyed to Mr. Bennett's residence, at No. 425 Fith-acc. A general alarm was sent out to the police to look for the stolen trunk.

A circular has been issued by the Board of Health

which states that public or church funerals of those who have did of scarlet fever, diphtheria, measless or shooping cough are dangerous to persons who have never had these diseases. The circular requests families to have as few attendants as possible at such funerals. Alterman Morris, to whom the circular was sent, thinks that more stringent measures should be enforced in these diseases, which are as dangerous as small pox, and should be subject to the same sanitary regulations.

The second taking of position "on the right" of

BROOKLYN.

There will be no jury trials in the Court of Session ntil the second week in January. The latter part of the nonth will be devoted to criminal cases.

James Wilkins of Van Sicklen and Division-aves

Hall and destroyed on Wednesday.

The architects, Messrs. Gayler and Crooks, authorized to examine public buildings, have this week visited the Hanson-place Baytist and Methodist churches, the Lafayette Aveane Church, First Reformed Church, Central Bautist Church, Artican M. E. Church, Greizada Hall, the Homeo-

was arrested last evening, char watch which he was pawning.

na Brackett's office yesterday seized 9 is tapers, and 136 reels cigarettes, to d the steamer Columbus from Havana.

will be produced a week from next Monday at the Street Theater in Phi adelphia, with E. L. Davenport

ks in the city

pathic Hospital, Public School No. 5, and a number of others, in almost all of which some changes will be recommended in

Roundsman Lawrence Phelan of the Second Pre-cinct died at his residence at Gold and High-sts. on Wednes-day night. He was ar old member of the force.

Simon Waltz, an old German who resided alone at No. 141 Stags.st., Brocklyn, was found hanging to a beam, dead, in the house, by friends, yesterday morning. The weekly report of the Charity Commissioners shows that on Saturday last there were 1,083 inmates of the Almshouse, 305 in the Aaylum, 363 in the Hospital, and 6 in the Small-pox Hospital. PROMINENT ARRIVALS.

Burglars entered the house of Thomas B. Preston at No. 588 Henry-st. at 2 p. m. on Wednesday while the family were away from home, and stoke three gold watches and a pair of gold bracelets valued at \$500. of gold bracelets valued at 2000.

Lawrence Conger and Patrick Henry, brought before Commissioner Winslow yesterday on a charge of illegal
registration at the late election, were honorably discharged,
the facts showing that they were not culpable.

After the close of the year an additional 1 per cent will be charged on all taxes remaining unpaid. There were long rows of tax payers in the lower corridors of the City Hall yesterday, anxious to avoid the penaity.

While under the influence of liquor, Mary McClure, age 22, residing at No. 172 Gold-st, attempted to jump from one of the Catharine terryboats last evening, but was prevented by a deck hand, who gave her over to a police officer on landing at the dock.

A team of horses and a sleigh valued at \$1,000, belowing to Jacob Marquarit, proprietor of the Hidgewood Brewery, which were left untien in front of swedtzer's Hotel at Cypress Hills on Wednesday, disappeared and have not been heard from since.

A caucus of the Democratic members of the Common Council was held on Wednesday evening at the Condi-platrict-Attorney Britton, but no definite action was taken in regard to the presidency of the next board. Four of the Dem-ocratic Aldermen were absent.

«A dispute about land, between Ernest Ochs of No.
63 McKibben-st., and John and Matthias Neger of No. 92
Montrose-avc., E. D., on Wednesday, resulted in a fight in
which Ochs was severely beaten by his opponents, who are
politicians of the Eastern District. The annual sale of seats in Dr. Scudder's church began on Wednesday evening and will be finished to night. The highest price which any pew has reached is \$165, including restal and premium. The second price was \$100, and a large number have been sold for more than \$100.

Workmen were engaged yesterday in propping up in fron support of one of the remaining rear walls of the frooklyn Theater. Dieter's Hotel is considered unsafe, and aide from the bar-room, is still unoccupied. Examining the ulns yesterday was a man who had come from Portland, daine, to make inquiries in regard to his nephew, supposed to lave been lost in the fire.

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It is rumored that the property-owners on North Second-st, from the East lilver to Bushwick-ave., who are opposed to the widening of the street are taking steps to have the act of the Legislature repealed under which the work was begun. It has been decided by the Board of Assessors that the benefit of the work when finished would not equal the cost. The total cost is estimated at \$322,848 50.

JERSEY CITY.

Justice J. C. Carr was arrested and put under \$500 bail for charging \$6 80 in lilegal fees. Sneak thieves stole an overcoat from the hall of he Hon. R. C. Washburn on Wednesday evening, the second behove there within a few weeks.

George Haak, the shoemaker who made charges gainst eight of the keepers at the County Penitentiary, has ned each of them for \$100 damages, for being made to do stra work while a prisoner. In the case of the site for a new court-house, the rrit of certierari was served yesterlay on Clerk Roc, and dunctions on Collector Kingsland and Director Halstead, claimed under a la- of 1876 that the freeholder, can eld criminally liable for voting for an excessive disbur-

NEWARK.

The funeral of the late Alderman James McCauley t the Seventh Ward will take place this afternoon. Alder-sen Pine, Young, Ure, Sister, Greacen, and Paterson will act a pall-bearers.

The final meeting of the Street Committee of the common Council for 1876 was held on Wednesday night. It was resolved to introduce ordinances to open Van Wagenen 5. from Belleville-ave. to Summor-ave. Irving at from Sumer-ave to Washington ave; to pave Verona-ave, from Sumer-ave to Washington-ave. Some unknown animal on Tuesday night slaugh-

other of valuable towis killed.

The beast kill is shought that the beast kill id. It is thought that the marander is the ced so many fowls at Belleville and Woodsi There have been numerous coasting accidents in us city during the past week. On Wednesday afternoon

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Westchester.—At the opening of a free reading room in the town of Westchester a lew evenings ago. J. A. Reionart made a short address. He had a success in the short and the lastitution would be a success in product the superiority of intellectual interests to ower torms of amusement. The love of reading and its proper indugence constitutes the greatest educational influence of the age. No young man who can read has any excuse for growing up undicated. The book is a voce-less teacher, and alterary taste is at once the most efficient instrument of self-education and the surest source of enjoyment the world affords. Indeed, great use, as a class, have had no feachers, have been trained a no school save the school of life. But nearly all of them were great readers. By all means, then, begin to read a form a over for it, acquire a teste for it, but keep reading. With reard to new papers, every young man ought to remember that hey have both good and evil. Nothing is wanting to the best of New York papers in the variety and dignity of the subjects reated. Oftentimes, test, the literary excellection of the work lone on our daily newspapers as truit worthy of remark. In the matter of national posities, the young man who is an attentive and thoughtful reader of the New York callines cannot all to acquire a valuable degree of knowledge conserting the corkings of our Coveriment. This newspapers are so often to advantage to the reader results from vichous habitas of earling. It must not be forgotien that trading is properly a hinking process, not mereiv a receptive one, and it is sincertey in the varieties.

LECTURES AND MEETINGS. The descendants of the passengers on the May-lower have formed the Phyrin Record Society, which holds in antiversary this year at the Comper Institute, Room No. 18, on auturday. Dec. 30, 41.7 p. m. The number of these descend-ats is numbered by the thousand, and it is hoped the meeting vall be fully attended.

The officers of Montgomery Lodge No. 68, F, and . M., are to install their officers publicly this evening, at 8 clock, in the Community Hall of the Masonic Temple, at kith ave, and Twenty third at. A miscellaneous programme, uitracing singuog, speasing, and one entertaining exer-ses, it to follow the Masonic ceremonics.

The Princeton Ahmmi Association held a prelimi-ary dinor has might at Delmonico's. If, L. Coie occupied he coar and J. C. Drayton cosed as secretary. Arrangements sere made to hold a send monthly meeting, and a committee, oussting of C. B. Alexander and Joseph Edgar, was ap-sonied to conter with other alumni associations in regard to oming Princeton in their dinner.

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About 500 foundlings assembled yesterday aftermoon in the large hall of the asylum, at sixty-eighth st. and third ave, under the case of the Sisters of Charity, to ceiprate their annual Chrismas festival. A number of Catholic priests were present, together with many holes of all denountations, who are interested in the good work of providing for the little outcasts. The programme of the entertainment given consisted of music, vocal soloss and cheruses, disiques, recitations, and calisthenic exercises. A large Chrismas tree, laden with all the articles that children prize, was provided in another room and the gitts distributed.

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A fair for the benefit of Odd Fellows out of employment was opened last evening in the Germania Assembly Rooms, No. 295 Bowery. Nineteen booths were erected, 18 of which represented as many different bodges, and one in the center of the room was occupied by the united lodges. Every conceivable article for use or eranneat was exposed for sale at 25 per cent below its retail price, having been contributed by friends of the project. It is proposed to continue the fair for three days from 3 p. m. until 10 p. m. After 10 o'clock each evening a boil will take place. There will be a Santa Claus this afternoon to give presents to air the children present, without regard to their connection with the society.

A few months ago the East Reformed Church in

A few months ago the East Reformed Church in Bedford ave. Brooklyn, of which Dr. Carroll was pastor, because involved in debt by the erection of an expensive edifice, and was obliged to disband. Becently a strong effort has been made toorganize another church which should occupy the edifice that has been remaining mused. There was a large effendance at the meeting called for this purpose in the sector room of the church on Weenessay evening. The certificates of 86 persons who wisked to unite with the new sociation of 86 persons who wisked to unite with the new sociative were received, many of them from other churches. John tawrence and William 14. Bedell were elected elders, and Proderick Schuffix and Charles Gilianti, deacons. Another meeting to completing the organization will be held to-night. The church will be occupied, and efforts made to secure a pastor at once.

At the regular annual election yesterday of the At the regular annual election vesterday of the Broadway, the following ticket was elected, many of the lady members exercising their right to vote: President, John D. Wright; Vice-Presidents, James Brown, Joanthan Thorne, Robers L. Stüart, Frederic De Peyster. Henry Bergh, James Robers, Leodore Rosevell, Samuel Willetts, Lewis L. Dela field, and Benjamin D. Hicks; Board of Mauagurs, Benjamin H. Field, Benjamin R. Sherman, Thomas C. Acton, Sinclar Tonsey, Chas. Haight, John Howard Wright, Jacob Shedar, William H. Webb, W. J. Chang, Adrian Iselin, Jr., Harmon Hendricks, A. C. Kingsland, Jr., Wilson M. Powell, Nathan C. Ely; Treasurer, William L. Jenkins; Counsel, Lewis L. Delafield; Secretary, E. Fellows Jenkins;

to look for the stolen frunk.

Arrangements have been made by the Boston and New-York Air Line Railroad by which they will run two fast through trains every day, including a sle ping car to Nashua. N. H. over the New Haven Railroad. The route is through New-Haven and Middelown, and is shorter than any other. The first train starts at 1 p. m. and the second at 1 1235 p. m., both from the Grand Central Depot. The latter train enables visitors to spend the entire day in this city, and will also accommodate Eastern traffic. The chapel of the Shepherd's Flock, West Forty-The chapel of the Shepherd's Flock, West Forty-third-st, between Eighth and Ninth-aves, held its regular Christons festival tast evening. This mission is one of the largest on the West Side, and is conducted by the Church of the Ascension, the Rev. J. F. Steen, pastor. Over 1,000 people were present, and the exercises consisted of the singing of carols, a part of the usual evening church service, and the distribution of over \$2.0 worth of presents to the \$50 children of the Sanday-school. The pastor and Dr. John Cotton Smith made short addresses. The presents were distributed by a person impersonating Santa Cana, and the uproar among the children occasioned by his appearance was tremendous. Many prizes were distributed also, one little girt, named Emily Pitcher, who stayed in the city all Sammer rather than lose it, receiving a very kandsome reward.

RAILWAY OFFICIALS CENSURED.

VERDICT OF THE CORONER'S JURY ON THE BOSTON, BARRE AND GARDNER RATLROAD ACCIDENT.

in these discuses, which are as dangerous as man pol, and should be subject to be same sanitary regulations.

The recenit taking of position "on the right" of the column by the thid (C) company of the 7th Regiment—in consequence of its commandant, Capt. Don Alonzo Polinri, having attained to the rank of senior line officer—has called to the mind of many a veteran the old time reputation of the regiment for all that is excellent in citizen soldiery—numbers, discipline, and esprit de corps. The history of the company from the year 1824 to the close of the war is a record which many of its members may recall with pride. Its contributions to both the colonels and the non-commissioned staff have been as great as those from any other company in the regiment. Under its present commander the ancient pressiges of the regiment will be sustained. Capt. Poliard's efforts in this direction are seconded by Third Lieut. John M. Amory, and Second Lieut. H. P. Carrington. The present representatives of the third company on the colonel's staff are Adjuntant Louis Pitzgerald, Quartermaster Robert M. Weed, and Captain of hifle Fractice Charles F. Robbins; on the non-commissioned staff, Sergeant-Major Charles H. Covell, and Commissary Sergeant Louis B. Rader.

BROOKLYN. BOSTON, Mass., Dec. 28.—The Coroner's jury which has been investigating the causes of the accident on the Boston, Barre and Gardner Railroad at Princetown Dec. 20, returned a verdict to-day to the effect that the collision was caused by the equal negligence of Conductor Charles T. Myrick and Engineer Edgar F. Wiley, who failed to carry out the order of the road; that, while the superintendent had taken ordinary precautions, it is the opinion of the jury that orders pending time-tables should be given to engineers as well as conductors, and consequently the lives and property of those on the trains were insufficiently guarded under the circumstances; that conductor Myrick and engineer Wiley were under bodily fatigue and Mr. Myrick under mental fatigue, and that such fatigue was caused by overexertion in the performance of their Charles Kelsey, the well-known dock owner, died suddenly yesterday at his residence at Degraw-st. and Tomp-kins-place of disease of the heart. duties, they having been out in snow-storms two nights preceding the accident. Canceled and redeemed city bonds amounting to g0,191,000 were placed in the basement furnace of the City Hall and destroyed on Wednesday.

ICE BLOCKADE IN BALTIMORE HARBOR. BALTIMORE, Md., Dec. 28 .- It is stated that there are 25 vessels at this port heretofore cleared for foreign ports with cargoes of grain, flour, petroleum, etc., and a large fleet of coasters detained by ice and inability

to procure tugs. Steamers arriving last evening report the ice in the Chesapeake less troublesome than heretofore and open below the Patapsco, but at the mouth of the river heavy drift ice was running. Under the mild temperature of the past two days the ice is weakening and breaking up, and the prospects are that the harbor will be clear in a day or two.

THE STATE MILITIA.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE ADJUTANT-GENERAL-IN-CREASED SPIRIT AND EFFICIENCY OF THE NA-TIONAL GUARD-BENEFICIAL RESULTS OF RIFLE PRACTICE-THE FORCE CONSISTING OF 21,424 OFFICERS AND MEN.

FROM A REGULAR CORRESPONDENT OF THE TRIBUNE.] ALBANY, Dec. 27.-Adjutant-General Frank lin Townsend has nearly completed his annual report of the military forces of the State and will present it to the Governor Dec. 30. He says that the strength and efficiency of the National Guard have greatly increased during the year, notwithstanding the abolition of the tax exemption and the disbandment of a number of regi ments. His action in relation to the latter matter has re ulied in the improvement of the general spirit of the Guard and no loss in numbers has resulted. The market improvement, he thinks, is due somewhat to the interest created by the introduction of rifle practice, but mainly o the more generous appropriations with which the Leg islature has signified its approval of the National Guard and the consequently increased aid given to each organi zation. The rifle practice at Creedmoor has resulted in the establishment of eight additional rifle ranges in th State-one each at Rochester, East Syracuse, Buffalo, Albany. Pourhkeepsie, Mount Vernon, Yonkers, and Oswego, and such improvement in the marksmanship of the corps that at present few National Guardsmen fail to be pretty good shots.

The war claims of the State against the General Govroment is pretty fully treated by the Adjutant-General. During the year claims have been collected to the amount of \$80,744 57, while there still remains on file in the War Department in Washington a large number not yet allowed. The report recommends that the appropriation for expenses of the collection of these be continued. A revised military code and "m'litary regulations" has been put to press in order to avoid the conflicting laws of

past years.

The force of the National Guard comprises 8 divisions and 17 brigades, 1 regiment and 11 separate troops of and 17 brigades, 2 and 11 separate batteries of artiflery The force of the National Guard comprises 8 divisions and 17 brigades, 1 regiment and 11 separate troops of cavairy, 1 battailon and 11 separate batteries of artillery, 25 regiments, 12 battailons and 18 separate companies of infantry—in all 1.267 cavairy, 1.108 artillery, 18.707 infantry, which, with 342, composing, the commander-inchief and staff and division and brigade commander and their staffs, make an aggregate force of 21,424 men.

The General concludes his report with expressions of thanks to the Governor's staff and to his Assistant Adjutant-General, Col. Alfred H. Taylor, who has brought to his arduous position, which he has occupied for several years, a courtesy, industry, and ability that would do credit to any industry official in the country.

PROSPECTS OF THE CARPET TRADE. It has been asserted that the carpet manu-

factories have not declared any dividends for the past year and are not likely to declare any. In order toob tain information as to the present condition and future prospects in this business, a reporter of The Tribune visited several of the leading carpet men and gleaned the following facts. The views of J. Sloane of the firm of W. & J. Sloane of No. 655 Broadway were corroborated by all the other merchants visited; his statement only is given. He said: I do not believe that any one in the carpet business in

I do not believe that any one in the earpet business in this city has made much mency during the past year. The milis have declared no dividends, and will declare none. We ourselves—and it is probably the case with all prudent carpet houses—have been able to hold our own, but have not made any money. The milis have roun about half the time during the past year, and thus have regulated the supply strictly in accordance with the demand and so have been able to keep from losing any money. This conservative policy has been carried out by the carpet trade of the whole country and will in time cause a healthy demand. Wood is rising all little, and this of itself makes a much more ready demand, as it is always easier to self goods on a rising than a declining market. Altogether, the outlook for the next year is much brighter than the experience of inst, and the trade will undoubtedly assume a much healther aspect than it has had since the panic, as soon as the Presidential difficulty is settled.

A professional friend, alluding to a recent A professional friend, alluding to a recent trip to floaton, said it occurred to him as a drob coincidence that he ofte morning met Mr. Longfellow walking with a gentleman named Taliboys. That, by the way, was a plain but pleasant epistic Mr. Longfellow once received requesting him to compose an acrostic, the first letters of which should spell "My sweet girl." The applicant added: "Write as if it were some beautiful girl with whom you were in love—just as if it were yourseif." At the foot of the letter were the words, "send bill."

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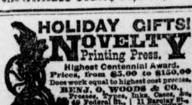
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